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FYI – from page 55 of the Ark. Farm Bureau Policy Book

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We believe it is imperative that sound science be used to develop the Illinois River TMDL and that EPA should review ALL sources of non-point source pollution in their model. Furthermore, EPA should aggregate all agricultural sources together to deter a single agricultural source being disparaged against.

We strongly encourage the Arkansas Attorney General's office to engage in the evaluation of the science and assumptions behind EPA Regions VI's Illinois River TMDL model and to be prepared to legally challenge Illinois River TMDL model in an effort to protect the citizens of Arkansas, both urban and rural, and to protect the concept of cooperative federalism under the Clean Water Act.

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